UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

VS.

Case No. 8:03-CR-77-T-30TBM

GHASSAN ZAYED BALLUT

DEFENDANT GHASSAN BALLUT'S MOTION TO EXCEED PAGE LIMIT FOR MOTION TO DISMISS OR STRIKE (DOC. 713)

The Defendant, GHASSAN ZAYED BALLUT, by and through his undersigned counsel, hereby requests this Honorable Court to permit the Defendant to file his Motion to Dismiss or Strike (Doc. 713) which is in excess of twenty pages, and as grounds therefor states:

- 1. The Defendant's Motion in its scanned form is a total of 41 pages in length.
- 2. Local Rule 3.01(c) limits briefs or legal memorandum to 20 pages absent permission of the Court to exceed this page limit.
- 3. The Defendant's Motion addresses 27 of the 53 counts in the Superseding Indictment which is 159 pages in length and includes 324 overt acts spanning 14 years in Count One alone.
- 4. The Defendant raises multiple grounds and objections to several of the counts alleged against the Defendant.
- 5. The Defendant has made efforts to be concise in the grounds and objections raised, but was required to exceed the page limit to address all issues.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant requests permission to exceed the page limit of Local Rule 3.01(c).

Respectfully submitted,

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